



# One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions

Charles F. Kettering High School

Detroit Public Schools

Teacher: Barbara Lund

Detroit, MI

Grades 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>



## ONE MICHIGAN: CELEBRATING MANY TRADITIONS

Our wonderful state of Michigan embraces many ethnicities. As a result of this, many traditions and legacies have resulted and are celebrated throughout each year by its wonderful people.

The large canning jar (or Mason jar) represents the many fruits and vegetables our state is famous for. Canning and preserving enables us to enjoy the Fall Harvest year round. Almost everyone has their favorite recipe passed down from a favorite Grandmother or relative.

Inside the center of the jar is the Michigan White Pine, our state tree. It is surrounded by parts of our many forests and beautiful state parks that are enjoyed by us throughout the year.. The gingerbread "cookies" represent some of the many traditions and celebrations which have created a very rich history shared by all in Michigan.

The outside of the jar is surrounded by images representing the traditions written on the gingerbread "cookies". And, all of this is placed on top of two painted circles of Michigan pine trees. We used the circle to represent an unbroken chain or group of trees- representing the people of Michigan-bound by a common tie of unity. Michigan is a great state to live in because its people of many diversities, cultures and traditions have made it that way. It is up to us and future generations, as well, to preserve and celebrate the old traditions as well as create and celebrate our own with our families and friends.

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Detroit, Michigan

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### Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: CHEYENNE  
School: KEETTING High School  
School District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade and Age: 11<sup>th</sup> GRADE AGE 17 YRS.  
Lead Teacher: Ms. Lund

### LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"  
I learned...

THE NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL  
BEGAN AS THE "BLESSING OF  
THE BLOSSOMS" IN 1926 TO HELP  
GENERATE TOURISM AND  
PROMOTE THE CHERRY INDUSTRY  
IN TRAVERSE CITY. IN 1931  
A STATE-PASSED RESOLUTION  
MADE THE CHERRY FESTIVAL  
A NATIONAL CELEBRATION. ALSO  
THIS WAS A VERY FUN PROJECT.  
THANK YOU

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only:

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School:

Kettering High School

School District:

Detroit Public Schools

Grade and Age:

11<sup>th</sup> grade, 17

Lead Teacher:

Mrs. Lund

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"  
I learned...

I learned that Focus Hope is instrumental in celebrating diversity and promoting good relationships among the people of Detroit and the entire state of Michigan.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Kitriteo  
School: Charles F. Kettering High School  
School District: Detroit Public Schools  
Grade and Age: 12th Grade, 17 yrs old  
Lead Teacher: MS Lund

**LEARNING STATEMENT**

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"  
I learned...**

The sunflower is the traditional flower in the Ukraine. Ukrainian immigrants brought the seed to America after World War II. Many Ukrainians lived in Hamtramck and Warren, Michigan. In the 1920s they began having the sunflower festival.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Martell  
School: Kettering High  
School District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade and Age: 12th / 17 yrs. old

Lead Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"  
I learned...

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions," I learned about how Michigan was the state for agriculture. The festival for Blossomtime host a pageant for prince & princess, they also have carnivals, bicycle rides, parades, runs, & an arts & crafts fair.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: MARTIN  
School: Kettering High  
School District: DETROIT  
Grade and Age: 12th Grade / 17 years  
Lead Teacher: Mrs Barbara Lund

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"  
I learned...

I learned about back in the day, Motown was like the Classic Soul of Detroit. Like when Gladys Knight & The Pips, Brenda Holloway, Temptations Supremes to Rick James and Teena Marie. In the 1960's it had alot of soul, jazz, and choo woo. I thank Berry Gordy for acknowledging the facts and future for Motown Records. If i was a singer, like around Marvin Gayes time and had a NO.1 hit record, it would be a blessing. I know that Jackson 5 signed on to Motown in 1968. And Motown had a theme off of "SOUL TRAIN" in 1978. Motown is the reason why Detroit keeps up with the best-selling recordings.

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Student's First Name Only: Nathan Richerson  
School: Kettering  
School District: Detroit  
Grade and Age: 16 12th  
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Lurel

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"  
I learned...

The Holland Tulip Time festival is a major attraction in the city of Holland every spring. Originally imported from the Netherlands, and planted for beautification in 1928. The tulip time festival begins on the Thursday prior to Mother's Day.